

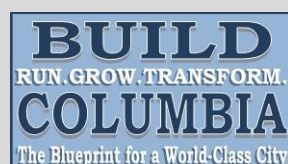
COMMUNITY CORNER

Neighborhood News and Updates

RAISING AWARENESS



OCTOBER 2014



We Are Columbia

CITY OF COLUMBIA'S FINANCE DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED

On Thursday, September 4, 2014 City Manager Teresa Wilson recognized the City of Columbia Finance Department's staff for their efforts in receiving the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting.

The Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting (CAFR) is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management. This is the first time since 2005 that the City has received this award.

"It was my honor to recognize and thank our staff for all of their hard work. Their hard work and commitment are to be commended and I could not be more proud of this outstanding achievement," said City Manager Teresa Wilson. "This has been a collective effort between our city's leaders, management and the Finance Department's team. We will continue to work diligently to sustain our strong foundation and be good stewards of the City of Columbia's finances."

The CAFR has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program including demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the CAFR.



City Manager Teresa Wilson with members of the City of Columbia's Finance Department

SC MIDLANDS FIRST RESPONDERS & MILITARY SERVICE



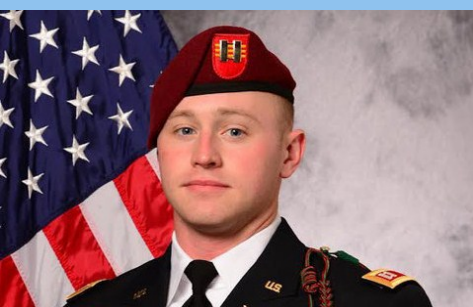
On September 11, 2014 South Carolina Midlands First Responders & Military Service Members Night of Remembrance recognized the families of first responders and military service members who lost their lives in the line of duty and included a roll call for fallen heroes.

The South Carolina Midlands First Responders & Military Service Members Remembrance Memorial included a pair of 25 foot granite historic towers and two steel beams from the World Trade Center, crossed to show the country's unity after the attacks on the United States on 9/11/01.

The memorial honored the victims of the attack on New York City, both citizens and first responders, who gave their lives in New York on that day, along with all the South Carolina Midlands first responders (police, fire, EMS, and military) who have given their lives since that morning on September 11, 2001.

All first responders, their families, and the public were invited to attend the 9/11 Evening of Remembrance to commemorate the lives lost in the 9-11 Attack in New York.

Major General Gill Beck, 81st Regional Support Command, Fort Jackson, delivered the keynote address and honored the Line of Duty Deaths (LODD) for Kershaw County Sheriff's Department, Rob Evans and US Army Captain James Edward Chaffin.



CITY MANAGER SPEAKS AT COLUMBIA COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS' MEETING



On Thursday, September 25, 2014, City Manager Teresa Wilson attended the Columbia Council of Neighborhoods' General Membership Meeting at the Eau Claire Print Building. City Manager Wilson provided updates on various City initiatives and projects that are currently taking place.

Columbia Council of Neighborhoods President, Dean Slade commented that, *"We have a great City and a great City Manager with a formidable task of making things happen."*



COLUMBIA EMPOWERMENT ZONE



*The Columbia Empowerment Zone, Inc.'s Board of Directors
Cordially Invites You to the
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*

*For
The Lady Street Suites
1509 Lady Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201*

*When
Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.*

*Please RSVP By
Monday, October 6, 2014*

*Phone (803) 733-8438
Email: pasingleton@columbiasc.net*

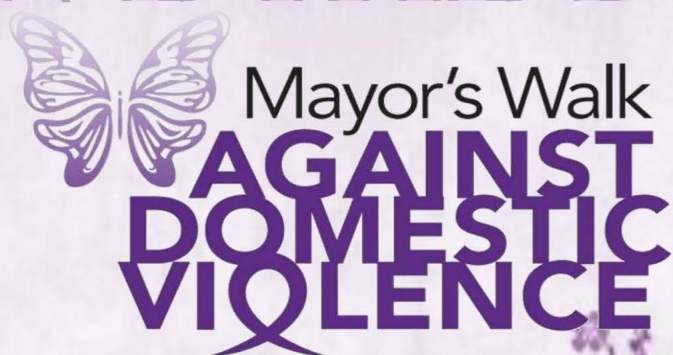
*Project in Partnership With
Columbia Empowerment Zone, Inc.
US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD-Columbia)
City of Columbia Community Development Department*

*Tour of Lady Street Suites &
Light Refreshments Will Be Available*



MAYOR'S WALK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

SAVE THE DATE



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2014

**9 A.M.
FINLAY PARK**

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!



We Are Columbia

For more information, contact Public Relations at 803-545-3020 or pio@columbiasc.net.

The City of Columbia will host the 8th Annual Walk against Domestic Violence on Saturday, October 11, 2014 at Finlay Park at 9 a.m., located at 930 Laurel Street.

The Mayor's walk supports the advocates, admires the survivors, honors the taken and never gives up hope in stopping the violence. Domestic violence has become a critical issue in the Palmetto State.

Registration is free and open to the public.

For more information, please contact the Public Relations, Marketing and Media Department at:

pio@columbiasc.net or 803-545-3020.



TAKE STAND AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

South Carolina ranks second nationally for the homicide rate among female victims killed by male offenders.

Let's stop this together.



Up to 70% of the domestic violence that occurs globally is never reported to anyone.

We're listening.



Saturday, October 11, 2014
9 a.m. at Finlay Park



MAYOR'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST BREAST CANCER

Mayor's Campaign Against Breast Cancer Isabel Law Breakfast

**Friday, October 17, 2014
6-9 a.m.**

**City Hall Parking Lot, 1737 Main St.
Tickets: \$7**

The breakfast menu will include: bacon, eggs, grits,
hash browns, pancakes, sausage and liver pudding.

Ticket Locations:

Fire Department Headquarters, 1800 Laurel St.
City Hall, 1737 Main St.
Palmetto Health Foundation, 1600 Marion St.
Police Department, #1 Justice Square
Eau Claire Payment Center, 3905 Ensor Ave.
Public Works, 2910 Colonial Dr.
Washington Square Payment Center, 1136 Washington St.



Proceeds will go to the Bosom Buddies Fund that assists women
who need mastectomy bras or have other needs after surgery.

For advanced orders, contact Tina Saxon at P: 803.545.3062, F: 803.545.3147 or email:
trsaxon@columbiasc.net.

Pre-orders must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. on October 16, 2014.

For more information about the breakfast event or sponsorship opportunities, please
contact Public Relations, Marketing and Media Department at 803-545-3020.

FINANCIAL LITERACY WORKSHOP



"BANK ON"
COLUMBIA



YOU'RE INVITED!

MANAGE YOUR MONEY - MANAGE YOUR LIFE

**City of Columbia
Community Development**

Start Fresh!

Financial Education Workshops

Having trouble managing your budget or
paying down debt?

Let us help you take control!

Understand the importance of :

- **Banking**
- **Budgeting**
- **Saving**
- **Building your credit**



Please call to register for an upcoming workshop!

Workshops will be held from 9-11 a.m. at 1225 Lady St. on the following Saturdays:

October 18 | November 15 | December 13

For more information or to register, call 803-545-0280 or visit www.columbiasc.net.

PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK PREMIERE

City of Columbia and the Nickelodeon present:

"Paycheck to Paycheck at the Nick."

Hosted by: Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine

Sunday, October 19th 2-5 PM

Nickelodeon Theatre

1607 Main Street Columbia, SC 29201

COUNCILWOMAN



TAMEIKA ISAAC DEVINE

Councilwoman Tameika Isaac Devine will host Columbia's premiere of the documentary, "Paycheck to Paycheck: The Life of Katrina Gilbert." This film is about the unequal status women face in 2014, which highlights the recent Shriver Report: "11 Women's Nation Pushes Back from the Brink."

This event is FREE and open to the public.

The documentary will be followed by a Q&A session featuring three subject matter experts.



SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS:



Dr. Linda Salane, Board Member for the Cooperative Ministries and CEO of WNN Consulting and Executive Coaching. Former Executive Director of the Leadership Institute at Columbia College



Karen R. Jenkins, President & CEO KRJ Consulting, LLC Financial Empowerment Consultant



Anita Floyd Senior VP for Community Impact and Strategic Implementation of United Way of the Midlands



If you plan to attend, please send an RSVP to Sugi Brown-Washington at subrown@columbiasec.net. Registration is required, due to limited seating.

For more information, contact Sugi Brown-Washington at 803-545-3258 or at subrown@columbiasec.net

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FINANCING YOUR FUTURE

Finance your future.



Financing Your Future

Presents...

WHY BUDGET?

A monthly series of financial literacy classes and workshops to provide you with financial knowledge and resources

October 8th, 12PM and October 22nd, 5:30PM

Save the Date:

November 12th, 12PM

THE
COOPERATIVE
MINISTRY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Many more South Carolinians have access to health insurance since the opening of the Health Insurance Marketplace earlier this year. We know that there are still more than 100,000 people who are eligible for coverage who didn't enroll, and that many more children and families are eligible for Medicaid coverage but remain uninsured, without regular access to doctors and specialists.

Below you will find your income on the chart, you and/or your children may be eligible for free coverage through SC Healthy Connections Medicaid. Eligibility is based on income and family size. You may be eligible for financial assistance to purchase health insurance in the Health Insurance Marketplace at www.HealthCare.gov.



DO YOU QUALIFY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE?

Financial Assistance through the Health Insurance Marketplace is available.
Below are the 2014 FPL levels used to determine eligibility.

With households with more than 8 people, add \$4,060 for each additional person.

Household Size	62% LIF	194% Check Up/PW	208% PHC	100% Marketplace Min	250% CSR Max	400% Marketplace Max
1	\$7,235/year \$602.95/month	\$22,640/year \$1,886.65/month	\$24,274/year \$2,022.80/month	\$11,670/year \$972.50/month	\$29,175/year \$2,431.25/month	\$46,680/year \$3,890/month
2	\$9,753/year \$812.72/month	\$30,516/year \$2,543.02/month	\$32,718/year \$2,726.53/month	\$15,730/year \$1,310.83/month	\$39,325/year \$3,277.08/month	\$62,920/year \$5,243.33/month
3	\$12,270/year \$1,022.48/month	\$38,393/year \$3,199.38/month	\$41,163.24/year \$3,430.27/month	\$19,790/year \$1,649.17/month	\$49,475/year \$4,122.93/month	\$79,160/year \$6,596.66/month
4	\$14,787/year \$1,232.25/month	\$46,269/year \$3,855.75/month	\$49,608/year \$4,134/month	\$23,850/year \$1,987.50/month	\$59,625/year \$4,968.75/month	\$95,400/year \$7,950/month
5	\$17,304/year \$1,442.02/month	\$54,145/year \$4,512.12/month	\$58,053/year \$4,837.73/month	\$27,910/year \$2,325.83/month	\$69,775/year \$5,814.58/month	\$111,640/year \$9,303.33/month
6	\$19,821/year \$1,651.78/month	\$62,022/year \$5,168.48/month	\$66,498/year \$5,541.47/month	\$31,970/year \$2,664.17/month	\$79,925/year \$6,660.43/month	\$127,880/year \$10,656.66/month
7	\$22,339/year \$1,861.55/month	\$69,898/year \$5,824.85/month	\$74,942/year \$6,245.20/month	\$36,030/year \$3,002.50/month	\$90,075/year \$7,506.25/month	\$144,120/year \$12,010/month
8	\$24,856/year \$2,071.32/month	\$77,775/year \$6,481.22/month	\$83,387/year \$6,948.93/month	\$40,090/year \$3,340.83/month	\$100,225/year \$8,352.08/month	\$160,360/year \$13,363.33/month



Palmetto Project

A Certified Application Counselor Designated Organization

For in-person help in South Carolina: (888) 998-4646

signupSC@PalmettoProject.org

There is no deadline applying for SC Healthy Connections Medicaid. You can visit www.apply.scdhhs.gov any time throughout the year to check your eligibility. Open enrollment for the Health Insurance Marketplace begins November 15, 2014, and extends through February 15, 2015. You don't have to wait until November to create your online account and get an idea of how much financial assistance you may be eligible to receive!

*To find out more information, you can visit www.HealthCare.gov. If you'd like to talk to someone in SC who is certified to help, call Palmetto Project at 1-888-998-4646.

FALL FESTIVAL

The North Columbia Food Park

"A Fun Place to Have a Healthy Good Time"

Hosts...

FALL FESTIVAL



Friday, October 10, 2014 starting at 4 PM

Join us at the North Columbia Food Park as we celebrate with a Fall Festival! Enjoy games, face painting, a pumpkin patch, entertainment, lots of vendors and more! Plants, fruits and vegetables will be available for purchase.

Scarecrow Contest

Come out and visit our pumpkin patch and help us choose the scariest scarecrows created by our local middle & high school students! Which school will have the scariest?! You'll have to be there to find out! Bring your family and friends for a good time!

FREE ADMISSION!!!

The North Columbia Food Park- Farmers Market & More
2720 N. Main Street (corner of Anthony & N. Main Street)
Call 803-786-7232 for more information.

The NC Food Park is a community outreach project sponsored by NCBA.
Visit us at www.northcolumbiabusinessassociation.com

WHAT'S NEW AT DREW WELLNESS!



Charles R. Drew Wellness Center

2101 Walker Solomon Way Columbia, SC 29204
803-545-3200

www.drewwellnesscenter.com

Turbo KICK®

INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Saturday, October 11, 2014
Charles R. Drew Wellness Center
2101 Walker Solomon Way
9 AM-5 PM
Cost: \$189

Learn to teach this cardio kickboxing and body sculpting-based choreographed routine to hot music mixes. You'll learn the skills to get your classes lean and toned, and have a blast while doing it!

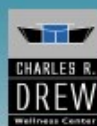
Fitness background not necessary!
(0.7 ACE CEU's & 7.75 AFAA CEC's)

Register early to ensure your spot for the training.
To register, visit www.turbokick.com.

For more information, please contact Britney Sanders at
803-545-3200 or BCSanders@ColumbiaSC.net.



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Charles R. Drew Wellness Center

2101 Walker Solomon Way Columbia, SC 29204
803-545-3200

www.drewwellnesscenter.com

Back-to-School Membership Special

For a limited time, the Charles R. Drew Wellness Center is offering a **Back-to-School Special** on new or renewing **ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS**. The offer ends September 30.

Annual Membership	Regular Rate (Resident/Non-Resident)	Back-to-School Special (Ends Sept. 30)
ADULT (18-49)	\$264/\$304	\$210
SENIOR (50+)	\$198/\$228	\$160
FAMILY (Up to 4 people)	\$396/\$456	\$325

Membership Includes: Access to Beautiful Indoor Pool; 6-Goal Basketball Court; Unlimited Group Exercise Classes: Yoga, Zumba, Pump & Sculpt, BLT (Butt, Legs & Thighs), Chair Aerobics, Aqua Zumba, Spinning and Water Aerobics; Indoor Walking/Jogging Track; Personal Training Available (separate fee); Free Fitness Consultation; Weight Room and Cardio Area.



For more information, please contact Drew Wellness Center at
803-545-3200.



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KICK BOXING

cardio



INCLUDES:

- Indoor pool
- 6-Goal Indoor basketball court
- Exercise classes (Unlimited)
- Yoga
- Aqua Zumba
- Personal Training
- Weight Room
- Cardio
- Indoor walking/jogging track
- Spinning
- Water Aerobics
- Many more...

NOW OPEN! NCBA FOOD PARK

NORTH COLUMBIA FOOD PARK

The North Columbia Food Park is a community Farmer's Market that aims to provide the citizens of North Columbia and surrounding areas to access fresh fruits, plants and vegetables grown locally.

The North Columbia Food Park will continue promoting healthy fruits and vegetables through November every Friday and Saturday.

There is no cost for entry but pricing will vary based on the vendor. You can visit: www.foodparkofcolumbia.com for more information or contact 803-556-5428.



Open Every Friday From 4 pm - 6 pm

Saturdays 8 am - 2 pm

For More Information Call NCBA 803-786-7232

SODA CITY MARKET PRESENTS

SODA CITY MARKET



Featuring:

- Artists
- Collectors
- Ethnic Food and Grocery
- Local Retailers
- Resellers

Featuring:

- Food and Drink
- Baked Goods
- Seafood
- Lawn and Garden
- Artisans

IN THE 1500 BLOCK OF MAIN STREET - SATURDAYS,
9:00AM - 1:00PM



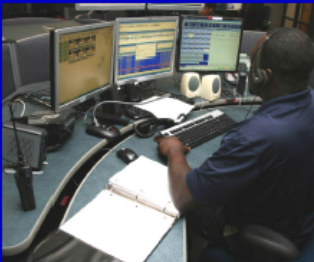
COLUMBIA-RICHLAND ALERTS



C. R. A. Columbia - Richland Alerts



Get Connected Stay Informed



Columbia - Richland Alerts

The City of Columbia Public Safety Team has launched Columbia-Richland Alerts to ensure the well-being and safety of our community members. We continuously work to prevent and prepare for emergencies.



Get Connected. Be Informed. Stay Safe.

- Boil Water Advisories
- Public Safety
- Power Outages
- Missing Persons
- Community Events



- Road Closures
- Public Meetings/Hearings
- Traffic Safety
- Water/Sewer Notices

Notifications can be sent to your email, cell phone, text message, home phone, TTY/TDD and other options!

To register, please visit www.columbiasc.net or call 803-545-3300.

Registration is easy and you can choose which updates you'd like to receive.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

2014 COUNCIL MEETING DATES:



Dates:	Events
October 7	Work Session/Council Meeting
October 21	Work Session/Council Meeting
November 16	Work Session/Council Meeting/ Zoning Public Hearing
December 2	Work Session/Council Meeting
December 16	Work Session/Council Meeting

*Please note that the location for the scheduled meetings will be held in Council Chambers located at 1737 Main Street on the 3rd Floor . Work Sessions will begin at 2:00 p.m., Council Meeting meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. and Zoning Public Hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m.

*Please be advised that times are subject to change depending on the lengths of the meetings.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

2014 CITY OF COLUMBIA HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Holiday	Official & Designated Day-Date-2014
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday— November 27, 2014
Day after Thanksgiving Day	Friday— November 28, 2014
Christmas Day	Thursday— December 25, 2014
Day in conjunction with Christmas	Friday— December 26, 2014



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